

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 1670 - HB 1695

January 25, 2018

SUMMARY OF BILL: Allows a pharmacist in this state to honor a valid prescription written by a licensed physician in another state or territory for a person from another state or territory who was displaced by a disaster when the person is present in this state.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Based on information provided by the Department of Health, a Tennessee-licensed pharmacist is currently authorized to honor a valid prescription written by a licensed physician in another state for a person from another state; therefore, adding the language "displaced by a disaster" will have no fiscal impact on the DOH or Board of Pharmacy.
- Based on information provided by the Division of TennCare and the Department of Finance and Administration's Division of Benefits Administration, the proposed legislation would not expand pharmaceutical coverage for members; therefore, any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.
- The proposed legislation will not impact any programs or procedures of the Department of Commerce; therefore, any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-29-121, all health related boards are required to be self-supporting over a two-year period. The Board of Pharmacy had an annual surplus of \$885,058 in FY15-16, an annual surplus of \$620,117 in FY16-17, and a cumulative reserve balance of \$2,601,038 on June 30, 2017.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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